

Governor's Commission for a Drug Free Indiana

A Division of the



Comprehensive Community Plan

County: Switzerland

LCC: Switzerland County Awareness Team

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Plan Summary

Mission Statement: Switzerland County Awareness Team (SCAT) is committed to the development of positive lifestyles for all Switzerland County residents and attempts to achieve this by: 1) networking with local agencies to increase awareness of substance abuse and related issues; 2) providing support for prevention, intervention and treatment programs and 3) by assisting local justice and law enforcement with tools for enforcement.

History: In Switzerland County, the LCC is known as the Switzerland County Awareness Team or SCAT. SCAT began in 1990 largely due to the efforts of a local judge, Judge John Mitchell. The initial membership was comprised of Judge Mitchell, two educators from the local extension office, a parent and a school principal. One of these founding members, Elizabeth Jones still remains active in SCAT.

SCAT prides itself on being a grassroots effort and has an active membership that includes people interested in the mission of the organization and who have special investment in Switzerland County. Currently the membership includes people from the local YMCA, the mental health center, a nearby hospital, the nurse managed care office, the extension office, a local church and area schools, to name a few. The current chairperson is a family doctor whose practice is in Vevay. Because members live and/or work in the community, they keep pulse on the community's changing needs and can gear their efforts accordingly.

Switzerland County consists of 221 square miles of beautiful rural country that is separated from Kentucky by the Ohio River. There are numerous historic homes along the riverside in Vevay, which is one of only two towns in Switzerland County. The only traffic light in Switzerland County, in Vevay, is a recent addition which certainly illustrates their smallness but also its roots to a past, quieter life. The county's population rose from 9065 according to 2000 census data to 9508 in 2005, an increase of almost 5%. Of the residents, more than 26% are under the age of 18 years old. The majority of residents (98.8%) are Caucasian with others being African American, Native American and Hispanic. There is also a small Amish population in the county. Unemployment figures for 2003 show an unemployment rate of 5.9% with an average income of \$18,040 per household according to information from Indiana Youth Institute. In 2002 about 14% of residents were considered to be living in poverty. Farming, service and retail are some of the areas of employment. However, in the past five years, the biggest change has been the addition of the Belterra Casino on the river. Belterra is a now the largest employer in the area and has brought newcomers to the community, both those who work at the casino and those who come to play. Resources from the casino were instrumental in the creation of a new YMCA which opened its doors to residents in 2002 and offered scholarships so membership was possible independent of a family's income. In the

county, there are two elementary schools, a middle school and a high school as well as numerous churches and other social service agencies.

SCAT members utilize their knowledge of community issues to address concerns that are aligned with the LCC's mission. The resources for addressing problems emanate from the system set up by the initial legislation for LCC's. Each year, the county auditor receives funds collected by the clerk of courts from fines assessed for drug and alcohol related offenses. A portion of these funds is allocated to the LCC. In 1994, SCAT used most of its funds to support a paid coordinator to lead SCAT's efforts. While this was effective at this time, the decision was made to create leadership within the volunteer membership in order to dedicate 100% of funding for programs to reduce drug and alcohol abuse and their effects on the community. In October of each year, SCAT solicits grant proposals. The grants' committee reviews the proposals and makes a recommendation to fund those which best meet the objectives of the Comprehensive Community Plan. These recommendations are passed on to the County Commissioners and the County Council who have the final approval as to which projects will be funded. Funds must be distributed so that at least 25% are allocated to each of the following three areas: prevention and education, intervention and treatment, and criminal justice. The remaining 25% can go to one or more of these three areas.

In 2005, with urging from SCAT, the local school corporation agreed to participate in the Indiana Prevention Resource Center Alcohol, Tobacco and Drug Use Survey. The survey was given to all 6th through 12th graders and resulted in 619 usable surveys. The findings were very valuable to SCAT and led to a decision to focus specifically on use of tobacco, alcohol and marijuana because local rates of use of these substances were higher than state rates. The overall plan for SCAT is to develop strategies to reduce use among youth and to build an active and diverse coalition to promote substance abuse awareness.

For the past two years, SCAT has submitted a grant proposal for federal drug free funding. It is our intent to address issues raised by the federal grant committee in an effort to best position ourselves for future grants. Significant effort is needed to continue to build capacity and the coalition in the community.

Summary of the Comprehensive Community Plan:

Over the next three years SCAT will focus on the following issues throughout Switzerland County:

- (1) Alcohol use by minors far exceeds the state average.
- (2) Marijuana use by youth is rising.
- (3) Key community members are not yet a part of Switzerland County Awareness Team.

Membership List

County LCC Name: Switzerland County Awareness Team

Name	Organization	Race	Gender	Category
Nadja Boone	Kings Daughters Hospital	W	F	Medical
Kim Crawford	ITPC	W	F	Prevention
SaraLee Cumberworth	Family Connections	W	F	Treatment
Cathy Dwyer	CMHC Directions	W	F	Prevention
Nathan Crane	Purdue Extension	W	M	Prevention
Greg Fillenworth	Nurse Managed Clinic	W	M	Medical
Mary Francis	ASAP Center	W	F	Prevention
Nancy Janszen	Mental Health Center (CMHC)	W	F	Treatment
Elizabeth Jones	Switzerland Co Schools	W	F	Education
Abby Lanman	Switzerland Co Schools	W	F	Youth
Denise Loaring	Switzerland Co Schools	W	F	Education
Brittan Mefford	Safe Passages	W	F	Prevention
Dru Morgan	Switzerland Co Schools	W	F	Youth
Rev Kenny Miller	Vevay Assembly of God Church	W	M	Religion
Karma O'Day	YMCA	W	F	Prevention
John Pritchard	Vevay Police	W	M	Law Enforcement
Linda Seimers	Family Connections	W	F	Treatment
Dr. Marc Willage	Family Practice	W	M	Medical
Ginger Furnish	Purdue Extension	W	F	Prevention

Eric Cole	YMCA	W	M	Prevention
Brenda Konradi	Systems of Care	W	F	Treatment
Paula Reistna	Vevay Assembly of God Church	W	F	Religion

Problem Identification

Problem Statement #1: Alcohol use by minors far exceeds the state average.

Supportive Data:

- Alcohol use by 6th graders rose from 19.3% in 1997 to 29.8% in 2005 (state average is 17.6%). IPRC Survey Data
- Onset of alcohol use begins at a very young age; 7.3% of students reported having their first drink before age 7 and 17% reported their first drink at 12-13 years old.
- IPRC Survey Data
- 51% of 10th graders report that they drink on at least once a month. IPRC Survey Data
- Between 31-43% of boys in 9th-12th grades report binge drinking in the past 2 weeks. IPRC Survey Data
- In 2005 only 7 students participated in substance abuse treatment; all were court-ordered, represents only 1% of student population even though 55.7% report drinking regularly. Community Mental Health Center Data
- In 2001 4 juveniles were arrested for liquor law violations and 1 for a DUI; 52 adults were arrested for DUI's and 15 for public intoxication. Indiana Prevention Resource Center Data
- In 2005, 120 adults participated in at least one session of substance abuse treatment, representing about 1.7% of population of adults in the county. Community Mental Health Center Data

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Year 2 Update:

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Objectives:

- Educate youth about effects/dangers of alcohol, tobacco and marijuana.
- Educate parents/community members about effects/dangers of alcohol, tobacco and marijuana.
- Utilize treatment grant funds to provide intervention programs and/or individual/family counseling to youth abusing alcohol.
- Utilize grant funds to support law enforcement in obtaining equipment and/or overtime to increase police presence.

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Goals: By 2008, reduce alcohol use and abuse among youth by 5% as reported by middle school students.

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Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:

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Problem Statement #2: Marijuana use by youth is rising.

Supportive Data:

- By the 9th grade, almost 16% of boys were using marijuana on a monthly basis.
- This rate rose to 32% among 12th graders. IPRC Survey Data
- In 2001 2 juveniles were arrested for possession of marijuana; 20 adults were arrested. Indiana Prevention Resource Center Data
- Between 11-18% of girls in grades 9-12 used marijuana monthly. IPRC Survey Data
- Nearly 30% of students do not disapprove of their peers using marijuana on a regular basis. IPRC Survey Data
- 18% of boys & 8% of girls see no risk associated with regular marijuana use. IPRC Survey Data

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Objectives:

- **Fund grants that provide education to youth about substance abuse.**
- **Fund grants that provide treatment and other intervention to youth and families struggling with substance abuse issues.**
- **Hire a paid prevention coordinator to offer Life Skills curriculum in middle school.**
- **Implement the Insight program to middle and high school students.**
- **Utilize treatment grant funds to provide intervention programs and/or individual/family counseling to youth abusing marijuana.**

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Goals: By 2008, reduce marijuana use among youth by 5% as reported by all students.

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Problem Statement #3: Key community members are not yet a part of Switzerland County Awareness Team.

Supportive Data:

- No representative of criminal justice system is a member of SCAT according to SCAT meeting minutes.
- Youth continue to be intermittent participants in meetings according to SCAT meeting minutes.
- There is no representation from local child protection agency according to SCAT meeting minutes.
- There is no representation from local businesses according to SCAT meeting minutes.

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Objectives:

- **Refine member solicitation process.**
- **Identify and approach key community members.**
- **Update member welcoming packets.**
- **Build interest among youth in committee participation.**
- **Develop Pride group in schools.**
- **Approve funding for grants that promote awareness of SCAT's mission.**
- **Build better collaboration with criminal justice personnel.**
- **Hire paid prevention coordinator to solicit membership of criminal justice personnel and educate them on value of mandated treatment.**

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Goals: By 2008, have regular participate by youth and criminal justice representatives.

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Please attach the County's Fiscal Report for review!

Next Annual Update Due: September 2007

Next Comprehensive Community Plan Due: September 2009

Date of Community Consultant Review: November 3, 2006

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Terms and Conditions:

The information and data provided is presented as factual and accurate. I hereby acknowledge that I can be asked to submit proper documentation regarding the data submitted within the Plan. Failure to do so could result in a "denied approval" by the Commission under IC 5-2-6-16.

The Local Drug Free Communities Fund must be spent according to the goals identified within the plan. I hereby acknowledge that I can be asked to submit proper documentation regarding funds that are collected, allocated, and disbursed within the county. Failure to do so could result in a "denied approval" by the Commission under IC 5-2-6-16.

Initials: NJ

Switzerland County LOCAL DRUG FREE COMMUNITIES FUND INFORMATION

(1) Amount deposited into the drug-free communities fund during the most recent, complete calendar year, per the County Auditor:

- The Switzerland County Auditor's office deposited \$12,125.50 into the LCC's Drug-Free Community Fund from fees collected last fiscal year, ending December 31st 2005.
- \$6,674.50 rolled over from unused funds from the previous years.
- \$18,800.00 total amount available for programs and administrative costs for the upcoming fiscal year.
- \$3,800.00 allocated for administrative costs leaving \$15,000.00 available for the upcoming year for programming

(2) Fund allocation by category, including a brief description of the purpose of the grant funding:

APPLICANT/PROJECT & PROGRAM description	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT AWARDED
Prevention/Education		
CMHC DIRECTIONS!: Get Real ABout Tobacco Program	\$2,700.00	\$2,650.00
Switzerland County High School: 10 th grade Leadership Program	\$1,100.00	\$1,050.00
Switzerland County High School: Drunk Driving re-enactment & Red Ribbon Week	\$3,000.00	\$1,400.00
Purdue Extension: Project L.E.A.D.	\$608.00	\$560.00
TOTAL(S)	\$7,408.00	\$5,660.00
Treatment/Intervention		
Family Connections: Prenatal Substance Use Prevention Program	\$1,000.00	\$950.00
Community Mental Health Center: Treatment Funds	\$3,500.00	\$3,450.00
Switzerland County Tobacco Coalition: Nicotine Replacement Therapy	\$927.00	\$890.00
Madison State Hospital	\$1,200.00	\$700.00
TOTAL(S)	\$6,627.00	\$5,990.00
Criminal Justice Services		
Vevay PD: Fuming Equipment for Finger Printing	\$398.00	\$350.00
Vevay PD: Taser Purchase	\$1,402.00	\$0.00
Vevay PD: Portable Breath Test	\$1,838.00	\$1,800.00
Indiana State Police: Narcotic Canine Patrol	\$4,000.00	\$1,200.00

TOTAL(S)	\$7,638.00	\$3,350.00

(3) Total amount of dollars allocated with percentages:

CATEGORY	Percentage	DOLLARS APPROVED
Prevention/Education	30%	\$5,660.00
Treatment/Interdiction	32%	\$5,990.00
Criminal Justice Services	18%	\$3,350.00
Administrative	20%	\$3,800.00

(4) Describe the grant process and requirements for the grantees:

(5) Provide administrative expenses:

EXPENSE	COST
Coordinator	\$3,000.00
Lunch	\$800.00
TOTAL	\$3,800.00

(6) Provide amount of any unused dollars from previous years:

The unused amount is rollover from previous years that was not requested by the other three categories.

(7) Additional Comments: